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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Speech Pathologists, Audiologists, and Hearing Aid

Dispensers

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, May 19, 2015, at 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: 08/18/2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Tonya Coats, Professional Member, President, Presiding Heather Smith, Professional Member, Secretary Dr. Mary Ann Connolly-Gaskin, Professional Member Lisa Marencin, Professional Member Meredith Sullivan, Professional Member Brian Whitaker, Public Member (2:20 p.m. – 3:13 p.m.) Kirsten Wolfington, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

William Doolittle, Public Member Dr. Jennifer Xenakes, Professional Member

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Coats called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes - May 19, 2015

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the May 19 2015 meeting. Ms. Wolfington made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

Telepractice Committee Meeting Minutes - May 19, 2015

The Board reviewed the telepractice committee meeting minutes from the May 19 2015 meeting. Ms. Wolfington made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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Review Proposed Regulations as a Result of Telepractice Committee

The Board reviewed the proposed regulations regarding telepractice. The Board made minor changes to the proposal. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, to accept the proposed regulations. Motion unanimously carried. Ms. Kelly will submit the proposed regulations to the Register of Regulations, to be published in the August 1, 2015 edition of the register.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Temporary Speech Pathologist Applications

Mr. Whitaker moved, seconded by Ms.Smith, to ratify the following temporary speech pathologist applications, as all applicants have met the requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Jessica Davis Jenna Douglass Lisa Pesce

Ratification of Permanent Speech Pathologist Applications

Mr. Whitaker moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, to ratify the following permanent speech pathologist applications, as the applicants have met the requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Brittany Kastenhuber Monica LaSalle Carol MacLean Catherine McCaffrey Cherie Trebisky

Review of Audiologist Application

Ms. Sullivan moved, seconded by Ms. Marencin, to propose to deny the following audiologist application, as the applicant has not met the requirements for licensure by reciprocity, set forth in 24 <u>Del. C</u>. Section 3710 (a) (2) . Motion carried with Dr. Connolly-Gaskin recusing

Mary Jane Tantillo

Review Request for Inactive Status

Ms. Smith moved, seconded by Ms. Wolfington, to approve the inactive status request submitted by Nicole Borders. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Request for Exception to Sit for HAD Examination

The Board reviewed the correspondence submitted by Betty Ruhe, requesting an exception to sit for the HAD examination. Ms. Ruhe has failed the examination twice, and is requesting that she be able to sit for the exam again, prior to waiting at least one year before retesting (pursuant to rules and regulations). Ms. Marencin moved, seconded by Ms. Wolfington, to deny the request. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Permanent Speech Pathologist Applications

Mr. Whitaker moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, to approve the following permanent speech pathologist applications, as the applicants have met all requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Caleb Grafton Sandra Schwartz

Review of Temporary Speech Pathologist Application

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Ms. Smith moved, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, to approve the following temporary speech pathologist application, as the applicant has met all requirements for licensure. Motion unanimously carried.

Kyra Lehman

Continuing Education - Review of Submitted Activities

Mr. Whitaker moved, seconded by Ms. Smith, to approve, deny, or table the following continuing educational activities as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Licensee: Jennifer Blackford Approved

Sponsor: Christiana Care

Activity: Adult Non-Invasive Positive Pressure Ventilation

Contact Hours: 1.0 PG

Ms. Sullivan moved, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve, deny, or table the following continuing educational activities as noted below. Motion unanimously carried.

Licensee: Maureen Cassidy Approved

Sponsor: Brandywine School District

Activity: Socially Savvy and Emotionally Equipped: Strategies to Teach Social/Emotional Skills

Contact Hours: 5.5 PG

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Ms. Marencin inquired about the process of statutory changes. Ms. Kelly provided an overview of the process.

Ms. Marencin voiced her concern that the Board is currently dealing with historical statutory issues, which are problematic with potential applicants. For instance, the statute requires that audiologists applying by reciprocity hold current certification. She requested that the Board discuss the issue further during the next regularly scheduled meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 2:00 p.m., in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Marencin moved, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jessica M. Williams

Administrative Specialist II